



Lower Woodland Skatepark

Design Meeting #4 Minutes

March 8, 2006

Agenda From the Meeting:

Introduction: The 4th community meeting for the Lower Woodland Skateboard Park was held on March 8, 2006, from 6 PM – 7:30 PM at the Green Lake Branch Library. The main objective for the meeting was to present the revised preferred schematic design for phase one to be built this summer. The agenda was as follows:

6:05-6:15 PM Project Information and Schedule

Kim Baldwin, Seattle Parks Project Manager/LA

6:15-6:30 Public Comment Period

Please be concise and take up to two minutes to present your comment. If your comment has already been expressed, please allow others the chance to express different ideas.

6:30-7:25 PM Presentation of Redesigned Conceptual Design (at Western Edge of Site)

The project site has been moved to the west towards the woods. The road will pass between the woods and the skatepark.

Wally Hollyday, Wally Hollyday Design

7:25-7:30 PM Next Steps

The designer will proceed with construction documents.

Minutes from the Public Comment Period:

Wally stated that they toned down the transition areas because input was to make the park more kid-friendly but he said they can discuss this. As it is now designed, it's more of an intermediate park.

Skaters asked to make the deep bowl 10 or 11 ft. deep (from 9)

Phase II may include more skate elements to the park, site amenities like picnic tables and benches and lighting.

A low spectator fence is nice to lean on and to allow people to watch the skaters from a safe distance. Some folks were worried that soccer balls may fly into the site.

They want manual pads and to use the back or side of something as a stair-step.

Consensus seemed to be to make an advanced bowl deeper.

Keep the road farther west at the north and make the deck of the advanced bowl larger.

The deep bowl has 5 ft. decks for most bowls and 8 ft. in the shallow-end and the shallowest bowl has a wider deck.

The consensus was to tile the deep bowl.

Add more differentiation in the bowls between 5 ft. to 8 ft. deep.

Comments from during the Design Presentation:

- Advanced features “dumbed down” with redesign; more kid-friendly but does not have the deeper bowls for more advanced skaters.
- Want higher fences to separate the soccer field from the skatepark.
- Likes lower fence because it doesn’t cut off the skatepark from the rest of the park. It can then be viewed by spectators, guardians and police.
- How far is the edge of the skate park to the soccer field? Wally answered, 20 ft. from the concrete strip.
- A). T.Y. for final meeting under I-5 at 65th,
B). Roosevelt Skatespot: Community is working on this. It’s not on park property.
C). Phase II status: Scott Shinnis the contact; will find out status of grant from DoN soon.
D). Fencing: Don’t want to restrict the line of sight.
E). Advanced Bowl Features: Don’t shrink transition; keep one deep area.
- Supports skatepark at this location; Questionnaire using bikes in skatepark (bike jumps nearby).
- Where will the walls be? Where will the adult eyes on the park be? Answer: The walls are low and the fencing rails are about 4 ft.
- Process has been good and better than when it started. They are happy with the result.